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CRAFTY KAISER TRIES ALIGN SOUTH AMERICA AGAINST THE U. S. A.

Fawns on Argentina and Makes Reparation for Recent Insult

TO SALUTE THAT NATION'S FLAG

Doesn't Admit Sinking, But Glad to Pay for the Lost Vessel

(International News Service.)

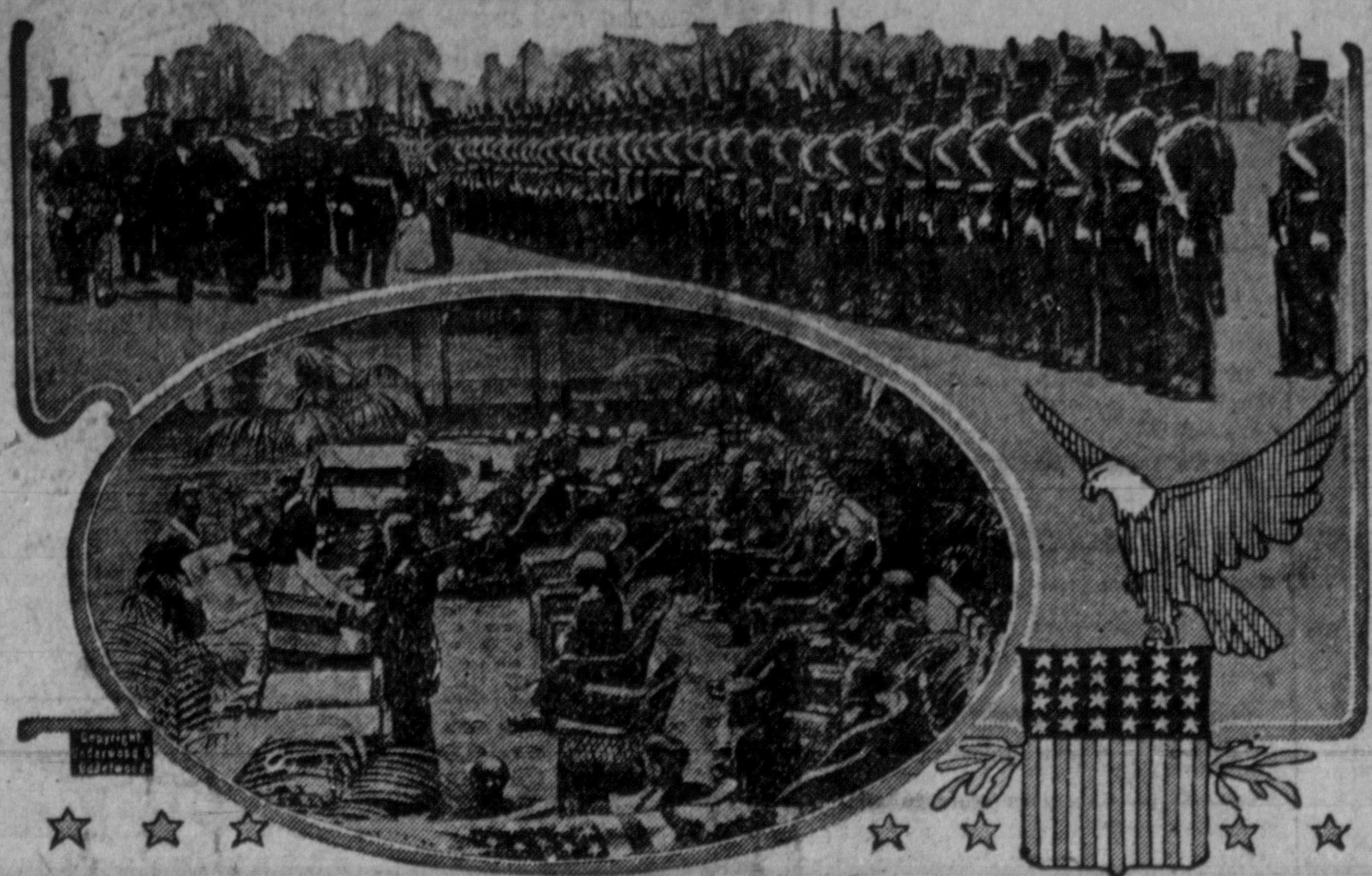
Buenos Aires, May 3.—At the first opportunity the German fleet will salute the Argentine flag with 101 guns.

This is part of the promised reparation for the sinking of the Argentine steamer Monte Protegedo.

The text of Germany's answer to Argentine's protest is printed in the morning papers. It does not deny that a German submarine sank the Argentine vessel, but says that no report of its sinking has been received from any U-boat commander.

The German note is contradictory in its tone. Although declaring it has no evidence that a U-boat was responsible for the destruction of the ship, it offers to pay for the ship and its cargo and expresses regret for the "accident." The note is considered an evidence of the intention of Germany to make a strong effort to align the South American nations against the United States.

WEST POINT CADETS OF 1917 CLASS GET DIPLOMAS



Secretary of War Baker awarding diplomas to members of the class of 1917 at West Point Military academy, and, above, the review of the cadets by Mr. Baker, Major General Scott and others. The class was graduated two months earlier than usual owing to the war.

WRECKED VESSELS CAN BE REPAIRED; HITS SUB MENACE

Interned Ships, Total Tonnage 350,122 To Be Used By United States

BRITISH USING NEW U-BOAT DESTROYER

Believed That Sub Crisis Has Been Safely Passed By Entente

(International News Service.)

New York, May 3.—The following cablegram indicating that a new submarine destroying mine has been invented is printed in the New York Times today: "A port in Europe, May 2.—Mines newly placed by the British in the war zone off the German coast have been destroying many submarines. It is known that these results have greatly heartened the British admiralty."

GREAT LAKES BOATS ARE TO BECOME U. S. CHASERS.

(International News Service.)

Chicago, May 3.—Acting under orders from the navy department, Capt. W. A. Moffett, commandant of the Great Lakes naval training station, began rounding up hundreds of small power boats today preparatory to equipping them as submarine chasers.

CLIMAX OF SUBMARINE WARFARE IS REACHED.

(International News Service.)

London, May 3.—Despite the declaration of Sir Edward Carson that shipping losses are increasing, the opinion was expressed here today that the Germans have reached the climax of their submarine destructiveness.

The weekly report of the admiralty showing that 38 ships of more than 6,000 tons each and 21 of less than 1,600 tons were sunk during the week ending Sunday is only slightly in excess of the victims of the former week. Of the 21 ships of less than 1,600 tons sunk, eight are small fishing boats.

WRECKED VESSELS READY FOR SEA IN FIVE MONTHS.

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 3.—American ingenuity has triumphed over German plotting.

It was officially announced today that missing parts of interned German vessels destroyed by their crews with the declaration that repairs must be "made in Germany" are already being constructed, and it is also officially stated that if the administration so wills, as it is certain to do, that 350,122 gross tons of shipping will be added to that of the United States. This will include practically all of the 71 German and Austrian vessels war bound at the outset of the European conflict, and is to be one of the replies of the United States to the menace of German ruthless U-boat operations. Announcement that these vessels would be ready for operation in five months came from the federal shipping board.

NO PEACE PROPOSAL BY VON HOLWEGG

GERMAN CHANCELLOR ABANDONS INTENTION OF STATING TERMS.

(International News Service.)

Amsterdam, May 3.—Contrary reports were received here relative to the day's program in the Reichstag.

One was that the German chancellor would make an important speech without touching on peace terms, and another was that he would not appear in the Reichstag at all.

The demand in Germany that the government make a definite move in the direction of peace by stating its war aims, is growing in strength and is receiving the complete support of Austria. Although most of the military circles in Germany now admit that their chief hope is ruthless submarine warfare, an effort is being made by some to have this weapon abandoned.

RESOLUTIONS DEMANDING PEACE ARE ADOPTED.

(International News Service.)

London, May 3.—Scores of resolutions demanding an immediate peace were passed at socialist meetings in Austro-Hungary on May Day, according to dispatches received this morning. It is added that there were no serious disorders.

JOHNSON LEADING GAG RULE FIGHT

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 3.—Another vigorous drive was made today against the censorship section of the espionage bill, now before the senate.

Senator Johnson of California, led the fight.

As soon as the parliamentary situation will permit he will move to strike out the whole "press gag" provision of the bill he has announced.

The narrow margin by which the censorship provision was adopted by the senate in committee and the nation-wide protest that has developed, has encouraged the senators supporting a free press during the war time.

MUSH CAPTURED BY TURK TROOPS

(International News Service.)

Rotterdam, May 3.—The evacuation of Mush in Armenia by the Russians and the occupation of the town by the Turks is held by German military experts to be an event of first rank importance.

Bartlett Revival Continues To Grow

The services conducted at the Westminster Presbyterian church by Rev. W. T. Bartlett of Chattanooga, continue to grow in drawing power. Special music is rendered at the two services daily which are held at 3 and 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Bartlett will be here through this and next week.

DOUBLE DRIVE IS BEGUN IN WEST

FRENCH AND BRITISH FORCES ARE ADVANCING.

(International News Service.)

Paris, May 3—The French are again driving forward in Champagne and have captured a German garrison east of Monthaut, the French war office announced today. The French and British armies are attacking in concert after a long period during which they were driving forward in successive periods.

(International News Service.)

London, May 3.—Heavy fighting has developed along the line of the Senate river, east of Arras, the war office announced today.

Infantry assaults were made in the wake of a tremendous bombardment. The British are making steady progress and already a number of important positions have been captured.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Olshine's Department Store announces the arrival of a number of Fisk pattern hats on sale at half price for cash while they last.

The Fashion again advertises its closing out sale.

J. S. Patterson features his 1917 styles in shoes at 1916 prices.

CHILD IS BEATEN TO DEATH; FATHER PLACED IN JAIL

Florence, Ala., May 3.—Never before in a Lauderdale county court—likely never before in the South—has such a tale of brutality been unfolded upon the witness stand as was told Tuesday at the trial of John Null for the murder of his 6-year-old stepdaughter, Annie Butler.

The trial was held before Esquires J. S. Brewer and O. B. Hill, and at its conclusion Null was committed to jail without bond to await the action of the grand jury.

The defendant was married to the child's mother, Mrs. Mary Butler, last December, and at that time Annie was a rosy-checked baby of five. Her death occurred Monday, April 9, and according to the testimony offered, was brought about by torture. The child's mother, although she could not be compelled to testify against her husband, voluntarily took the stand and told the revolting story.

She told how, on Saturday morning, two days before the child's death, Null had ordered her to work in the field. The little girl said she would rather die than go to the field, and Null replied "she is nearer to crossing the ford today than she thinks." He then beat her with a heavy leather strap and compelled her to go to the field. At noon she returned with a bad bruise on her forehead which Null said was caused by falling from a wagon. The same night he beat her about twenty minutes with the strap. Sunday night the beating was repeated at 9 o'clock, and after midnight Null took the little girl out of the house and witness did not know what he did to her while out. Mrs. Null was sick in bed and unable to rise. On Sunday, seeing the child coming toward the house, Null remarked "She ought to die before she gets to the house." Monday morning Null called Annie, and when she did not answer, he said: "She must be dead." Mrs. Null said: "You got your wish," to which he replied, "I guess so."

Null dressed the child and put her in the coffin, refusing to let the mother see it. Neighbors learned of the death and came in, but were not allowed to open the coffin. After his return from the graveyard Null said to his wife: "You played the wild, wanting to open the coffin," and "If anyone comes around don't let on you know anything about it."

HUNDRED MILLION LOANED TO ITALY

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 3.—America made her second war loan today when Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo turned over to Count V. Machi di Celliers, Italian ambassador, a treasury warrant for $100,-000,000. All the money will be spent in the United States for coal, wood and munitions.

TO RUSH AMERICAN ARMY TO TRENCHES OF FRANCE, PLAN OF GENERAL STAFF

NEARLY TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND MEN LOST ON THE WEST FRONT BY ALLIES DURING THE PAST FORTNIGHT.

MANY GAPS NEED FILLING

PLANNED TO PROMOTE PRESENT ARMY OFFICERS AND FILL UP RANKS FROM WEST POINT AND TRAINING SCHOOLS.

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 3.—Sentiment for the sending to the battle front in France as soon as possible of an American expedition continued today to increase in official quarters.

It is believed certain that the assembling of the initial units will soon be authorized. Just when such an expedition will go forward and how is a military secret, as well as the units that will be given the honor, although it is considered almost certain that the regular army will contribute the greater part.

A correct line on the appalling losses that have been suffered in the intensive fighting has been gained from the conferences here with British and French army officers. As an instance, during the fortnight ending last Sunday, the French losses totaled 111,000, and the British losses 87,-000, a total for the entente on the east front of 198,000 in killed, wounded and missing. Because of these great losses and the necessities for filling the gaps in the line, immediate participation by American troops would be appreciated greatly.

The plans that the general staff now have before them are as follows: "That an initial expedition commanded by Gen. Hugh L. Scott, be made up and sent forward to train for actual services behind the French line. This force would be made as large as possible by drawing on all the trained men of the regulars and the ultra-crack organizations of the national guard; selection of 100 officers above the rank of captain to be send to the British and French fronts to have actual experience on the firing line to later act as instructors."

One or both of the above plans probably will be approved by the general staff.

New Officers.

The question of officers for the new army has been solved. To secure majors to replace those promoted to higher ranks, all captains in the regular army, and certain present first lieutenants are to be promoted to the rank of major. The places of the captains will be filled by the commissioning of all graduates of West Point now serving as first and second lieutenants.

To secure the second and first lieutenants when needed, the graduates of the officers' training camps and nearly all non-commissioned officers in the regular service will be given shoulder straps.

TO RAISE FUNDS FOR EQUIPMENT OF HOME GUARDS

BLOODWORTH AND BOWLES ARE NAMED FINANCE COMMITTEE BY MAYOR PAYNE.

F. A. Bloodworth, of the Morgan County National Bank, and T. A. Bowles, of the Central National Bank, have been named a finance committee by Mayor E. C. Payne for the purpose of raising funds with which to provide for the equipment of the Albany Home Guards. In naming the committee, Mayor Payne, who is commander-in-chief of the guards, is acting under the plan of the National Defense League, under which the local organization was formed.

The guard will be armed with revolvers, efforts to obtain obsolete army rifles having so far failed. Each member of the guard will furnish his own pistol, and in addition a part of his uniform. The remainder of the equipment, it is estimated will cost about $400, and this fund will be raised by popular subscription.

To Become Deputies.

In order to give the guard an official standing and the right to bear arms as well as to make arrests and to protect life and property if called out, it is planned to introduce an ordinance at the next meeting of the Albany council giving the guardsmen the status of special officers. This ordinance, it is expected, will be enacted unanimously and will have the support of Mayor Payne.

Several recruits were signed up at the meeting of the guard last night.

War Veterans, All Over 70, Enjoyed Patriotic Parade

One of the most striking parts of the big patriotic parade of the Decatur citizens May Day was the section of the demonstration devoted to the Confederate veterans. The veterans, 15 in number, were seated in three big cars.

Not one of them was under 70 years of age, and whenever the band played "Dixie" they were as young as anybody in the parade. The veterans were given a place of honor near the band.

All Europe Hungry Declares Mr. Hoover

(International News Service.)

New York, May 3.—The food situation in all of Europe is one of extreme gravity. This statement comes from Herbert C. Hoover, head of the Belgian relief commission, who arrived here today to accept the position of head of the American food commission.

GERMANY ADMITS UNREST PREVAILS

(International News Service.)

Amsterdam, May 3.—Germany has at last admitted that unrest pervades her population.

Press dispatches today from Berlin said that the German government is charging agents of the allied powers with stirring up trouble.

TO DRAFT 11,149 MEN OF ALABAMA

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 3.—Under the initial draft to secure 500,000 men to make up the first army for the war with Europe, New York will furnish the greatest number, 45,845, and Nevada the lowest, 500. Figures given out here today show that Alabama will furnish 11,149, Mississippi 9,-195, Tennessee 12,041. Each state in addition must bring its national guard up to war strength, either by volunteer enlistment or by an extension of the draft.

TWIN CITY BOYS FLOCK TO COLORS

NUMBERS OF YOUTHS GO TO THE ARMY AND NAVY FROM HERE EACH DAY NOW.

Twin City boys continue to flock to the colors to aid in the war against Germany.

Stanley Wyatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wyatt, left today for Birmingham to stand the examinations for admission to the United States army officers' camp at Fort McPherson, Ga.

Walter Smith, a valued employe of the Alabama Power Company, has applied for admission to the coast artillery.

Ponsonby Kyle, son of Judge O. Kyle, and LeRoy McEntire, son of Alderman R. P. McEntire, of Decatur, have already been accepted for the navy and are in training at Newport, R. I., where there are now half a dozen Twin City boys, including Ben Bloodworth, Roy Gilliam and "Shy" McGar.

HOUSE WELCOMES FRENCH MISSION

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 3.—The members of the French mission visited the House of Representatives today and were given a tumultuous welcome.

UNPRECEDENTED PROSPERITY IN SIGHT; BE COOL, OFFICIALS ADVISE

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 3.—The United States is entering upon a period of unprecedented prosperity.

Government leaders are convinced that if the American people will keep cool for a few weeks until the first shock of entrance into the war is past, and continue their business as usual, they will witness America securing industrial activity that will bring prosperity to all classes.

The colossal war-financing program will enhance rather than mitigate this prosperity, in the opinion of government officials.

BUTTREY BUYS SECOND AVENUE LOT FOR DEPARTMENT STORE

J. A. Buttrey, proprietor of the big Second avenue department store, has purchased a lot 50x107 feet on Second avenue, on which at an early date he will erect a handsome store building, according to announcement today. The lot is directly south of the one on which Frank G. Cook is at present building the new home for his furniture store and was purchased from the Decatur Land Company. While Mr. Buttrey's plans have not been made public in full detail, it is understood that the building which he will erect will be one of the finest in the Twin Cities.

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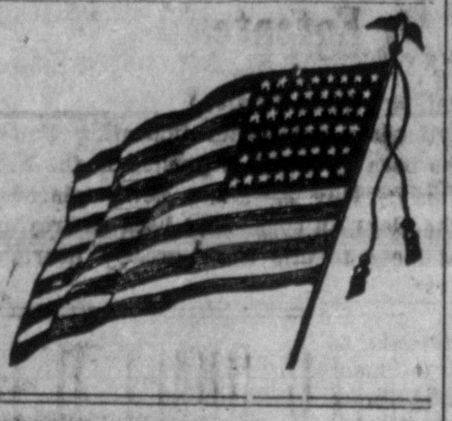

THE GERMAN-AMERICANS; MAY THEY SEE THE LIGHT.

The statement of Count Von Bernstorff to Senator Phelan in 1913, just the year before the world war began, that the German-Americans were considered "outlaws" by the Fatherland, is illuminating to say the least. It is certainly not surprising in the slightest degree for it has been known for more than two years that the Imperial German government was using its former subjects in the United States as catspaws to pull out German chestnuts, while secretly the attitude of the German government to German-Americans has been one of scorn and loathing.

The statement of Senator Phelan has the ring of an honest statement and there are few who would seek to discredit a gentleman of the senator's known reputation and character. The senator certainly acted with common sense in not making Bernstorff's statement public several months ago when it might have done much harm and the revelation, coming as it does can do nothing but good work in the way of lining up any wavering factions in the United States.

This incident in the long debate in the United States over the world war brings us sheerly up to the query: What of the German-Americans? The Daily has never been unduly alarmed over the hyphenates. It took occasion, long before Ambassador Gerard made the statement, to call to public notice the multiplicity of lamp posts in case German aggression in the United States became too unbearable. America, the Daily then said, has ways peculiarly her own of dealing with such internal problems. The plain truth of the business is that most German-born citizens of the United States are truly and sincerely loyal to the American government. Very few of them would knowingly do harm to the land of liberty.

Of course there are a few black sheep in every flock. There are some pro-German Americans who are plotting and planning at this good hour to do harm to their adopted land. Men like this are not only stupid but untrustworthy and irresponsible.

God grant that they may see the light! May they remember that it was the sight of the torch in the hands of the Goddess of Liberty at the great eastern port that brought to them new hopes and new ambitions and guaranteed them against further oppression at the hands of an insane and blood-drunken emperor.

TO RAISE FUNDS FOR EQUIPPING THE GUARDS.

Now that Mayor Payne has named a committee to raise funds with which to equip the Albany Home Guards, it is in order that the public should get a clearer idea as to the purpose which the organization is to serve. Those slackers who have no inclination whatever to aid the government in any capacity, have treated the volunteer organization lightly. They have failed to note that membership in its ranks involves arduous practice and loss of time and carries no compensation. Of the present personnel, it can safely be asserted that not a man has any ambition to assume a similar role in times of peace, and that all of them, were it a matter of pure choice with all considerations of duty omitted, would much prefer to spend their evenings otherwise than under the tutelage of a drill master.

However, the guard has been organized and will soon be recruited up to its maximum strength. It now becomes necessary to purchase uniforms and to arrange for equipment. Mayor Payne has named T. A. Bowles and F. A. Bloodworth as a finance committee, and these gentlemen some time next week will begin to solicit funds. The public, when asked to contribute, knowing the official status of the organization and being able to foresee the urgent need for armed protection in the event of grave emergency, should not hestitate to do its "bit" or even its two bits or more. If the guardsmen are willing to contribute their time and efforts, it certainly is nothing but fair that the merchants and others who are to be the real beneficiaries of the semi-military organization should put up the small sum of money needed to defray legitimate expenses.

SILLY PREPAREDNESS.

One of the things that makes the preparations for war seem silly is a news item like this: "Thirty-two Selma women in military training under army officer." This war is going to be fought by men. There are plenty of men to send to Europe. Women who desire to take military training can best serve their country by economizing in their homes.

If the Alabama national guard has actually detailed a lieutenant and a sergeant to drill these women, then the officer who ordered this to be done should be severely slapped on the wrist about thrice, we reckon. The knowledge of the use of instruments of war cannot possibly be of service to women, unless the weapon be the pistol which might be used against burglars. Belgian men and women civilians brought down severe reprisals on themselves and their villages whenever sniping was detected.

The Daily hasn't got a grouch on the subject of preparedness for women, but will some kindly brother of the Alabama press explain the silly Selma spasm?

The state has proved nothing on Sheriff Batson of Jefferson county that should embarrass that faithful officer. Other than that he turned the jail over to the prisoners, treated condemned murderers with the same leniency that would be extended Red Cross nurses, appointed a convict to preside over his personally owned soft drink stand, and disregarded warnings to improve conditions, he seems to have discharged most of his duties well. It is not alleged that he failed to collect any fees due him or made his deputies donations at Christmas time calculated to embarrass him financially. Really, he should be voted a service medal for not opening the doors and rushing all the jail inmates out into the cold world on a frosty morning.

As much as we have heard of the failure of the volunteer system in England, it is a fact that within the past week Neville Chamberlain, director of national service, has called for 500,000 men to come forward and take their place in the battle line. This call may be a covert threat of later compulsion, but nevertheless it stands so far at its face value. The recruits are wanted to take the place of the men who have been killed or wounded, or have broken down under the strain. There are yet more than 3,000,000 men in England engaged in private business who are eligible for army service. They have not been conscripted.

Peace talk at this time is a mere waste of words. Germany, still proclaiming her arms victorious, would be willing to make no terms acceptable to the allies. On the other hand the allies, fearful of the future, could not afford to lay down the sword and leave the Kaiser in fit fighting trim for another world war. Militarism and autocracy must be crushed so that they will stay crushed.

America would never have been freed from the oppression of an English king without LaFayette. France can never be freed from the ghoulish hands of the Huns without America's aid. Vive La Amerique! as Marshal Joffre exclaimed before the United States senate.

We hope conscription will come before the summer gets hot and the first fellow the government gets, we hope, is the one who asks: "Is it hot enough for you?"

One thing is certain—Germany's submarine warfare can not be more ruthless. It had reached the limit of cruel piracy long before war was declared by the United States.

The dogs of America, especially the long tailed variety, will probably rejoice at the news that there is a shortage of tin cans.

Germany evidently figures that if peace trades are to be made on the basis of conquered territory they should be closed up at once.

THE SELECTIVE DRAFT LAW

Here is What New Army Measure Means to Men of the United States

Here is what the new selective draft army law, approved by congress, means to the nation:

Every male citizen of the United States, regardless of his physical condition or occupation, whether married or single if he is within the age limits set by law, must register on the government roll. The president will call upon them to do this by public proclamation immediately and will at the same time announce the revenue officers and other federal officials throughout the country. Severe penalties are provided for non-compliance.

The minimum age limit is 21 years. The maximum is not yet finally determined. It will be somewhere between 27 and 40 years, to be determined by conferees of the House and Senate. The number from each state will be apportioned according to population. Out of those who register the government will at once select 500,000, and President Wilson is authorized to select 500,000 more whenever he desires to do so.

These men, after registration will be exempted:

Legislative, executive and judicial officers of the United States and the several states, persons belonging to religious organizations whose creeds are against war, and preachers of any religious denomination.

Furthermore, the president may in his discretion exempt or draft for partial service, customs house clerks, persons handling mails, workmen employed in arsenals, navy yards and armories, persons engaged in industries necessary to the maintenance of the military establishment, pilots and mariners of vessels, persons having dependent families, and all persons who are morally or physically deficient.

The new law also authorizes the president to raise by the volunteer system and for the war only, enough men to raise the regular army to 287,000 men and the national guard to 625,000 men.

The law, it is estimated, will give an army of approximately 2,000,000 well trained officers and enlisted men by next spring.

Boys less than 21 and more than 18 years old probably will be allowed to volunteer and will be accepted if physically fit.

A vigorous fight over the age limitation of those liable to draft will be waged in conference. The Senate went on record in favor of drafting young men between the ages of 21 and 27 years, while the House went to the extreme and fixed the maximum age limit at 40 years. While each branch of Congress will insist upon its own age provisions, there is considerable talk of striking a compromise by accepting 35 pears as the maximum age.

President Wilson is expected to take a hand in the argument before it is over and it is believed that whatever age limit he is likely to suggest, upon the recommendation of the general board of the army, ultimately will be adopted by Congress. The minimum age limit of 21 years, not being in dispute between the two houses, will remain as it stands. Members of the House are strongly entrenched in support of maintaining a high maximum limit so that there will be no cry against "a young man's war." The original age provision of 19 to 26 years, recommended by the army board, was based upon careful calculations to strike at an average age most suitble for service. That the final maximum age will be somewhere between the 27 years approved by the the Senate and 40 years probable as a compromise.

Another test of the volunteer sentiment will come in the conference fight over the Senate amendments authorizing the president to accept four volunteer divisions and three regiments for Mexican border patrol duty. The former amendment, adopted after a patriotic appeal on behalf of Theodore Roosevelt, undoubtedly will be dropped in conference. Two of the three members of the Senate conference to be appointed, Senator Chamberlain and Senator Francis A. Warren, republican of Wyoming, voted against the amendment offered in the Senate. The other, Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock, democrat, of Nebraska, who was one of the volunteer leaders in the fight, voted for the amendment. With the House on record overwhelmingly opposed to the proposal to allow Mr. Roosevelt to raise a volunteer force, the chances for final adoption of the amendment are decidedly unfavorable.

The other minor differences between the two bills will cause no delay, although the House may balk at accepting the Senate prohibition amendment.

GAMBLERS ALL

(J. Madison Sheppard in N. Y. American Weekly.)

"Gamblers, all!" he muttered, gazing in at "Monte Carlo's" hall;
The "roulette wheel" was spinning and merrily 'round went the "ball,"
"Gentlemen, lay your bets!"—'twas the croupier's monotonous chant,
"Red or black"—colors are symbolic—they mean you can or can't.
Two mighty groups of nations are locked in the struggle of death—
The "reds" represents Europe's life-blood, ebbing with every breath;
The "black," ah; the black is symbolic of charred ruins laid in waste;
"Bets down while the balls' whirling—
Gentlemen, come, you'll please make haste."
Around the gaming table are gamesters from every known land;
Englishman, Russ, Frenchman, cheek by jowl with the African stand.
The Indian, and his neighbor, the Russian, vie with the Turk.
German and Austrian labor—all bent on their death-dealing work.
The yellow face, with cruel, upslanting, all fathomless eyes,
Leans tensely forward—eager to catch what is to be his prize.
With feverish fascination erstwhile cannibals look on,
Wondering, doubtless, if missionaries will hold them up to scorn.
For near three years this stranger had looked on with emotions mixed;
But now the titanic struggle he viewed with set purpose fixed.
The twirling wheel, the croupier—"Death"—comospolitan still drew,
"America's cosmopolite," said he, "and she must be there, too."
The door opened—in it there stood a giant, raw-boned and spare;
His face was thin, and keen, and tipped with a long chin-spike of hair.
Silvery gray, his whiskers, his trousers white, all striped with red;
And strapped with leather beneath his boots—a man from heel to head.
Blue coat with white stars bespangled—queer hat, old-fashioned, tall,
That, too, was strangely decorated with stars and stripes o'er all.
"Make room!" cries out the bold croupier—"Room for good old Uncle Sam;
He's in good company, at last, though all seems bustle and jam."
The Englishman, through polished monocle, smiles as he looks him o'er,
While every eye within the group turns toward the opened door.
The Frenchman shrugs shoulders expressive, the Russ tugs his beard;
The negro's grin displays his teeth when the slant-eyed Jap looks scared
'Tis plain this stranger's entrance galvanized sports weary and spent;
Some cheer, as he sniffs the smoke-laden air with saltpetre blent.
"How far is his credit good?" asks "Death" of "Debt" in the lookout chair
"'To the limit"—the lookout answers, "and then, perhaps, some to spare."
All interest, all attention, to his wallet's now transferred;
Debt, the lookout, glances at Death—but utters never a word.
And now "Fate" whirls the wheel again—grim, spent "has beens" watch and wait,
To catch the Yankee's wallet should it fall in their upturned plate.
Smiling of lip, and hard-eyed death, and debt now each other nudge;
But Uncle Sam catches the motion and says: "You dare not fudge."
The polyglot crew leans forward now, their shatered frames grown taut,
They whisper to each other questions with mighty moment fraught.
"Can he win in a game where victory means overwhelming debt?"
A shrill, defiant voice shouts: "He's never lost a wager yet!"
The "Entente" scream with joy—the bet has fallen in their square—
Uncle Sam salutes the Suffragette—'Twas her voice that cleared the air.

If the "gag" bill passes the American newspapers will get some new ideas as to what real autocracy is.

It is still a good guess as to whether the Kaiser's successor is to be an Orangeman or an Ulsterman.

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Recent reports of the Kaiser's death appear to have been unfortunately exaggerated.

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English Oil Wells.

"A true oilfield exists in England," says William Forbes-Leslie of the Institute of Petroleumn Technologists. "As the Norfolk deposits of oil-shale containing free oil are of great extent, involving hundreds or thousands of millions of tons, each ton of which may contain an average of thirty to forty gallons of oil, and 75 per cent of it in the form of free oil, some idea can be gained of the enormous bulk of petroleum which has already been absorbed into these beds."

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You may offer your services to the government in either the navy, army, national guard, coast artillery and other branches of the service at the following places in the Twin Cities:

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The postoffice, Bank street, Decatur.

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National guard recruiting station at Cartwright's drug store, Bank street, Decatur.

EXERCISE AND GRECIAN BEAUTY

WHAT IT MEANS.

Many thousands of women are nowadays paying attention to physical culture and the proper exercise of their body muscles, where, thirty years ago or fifty years ago there was no thought expended on this science which is quite necessary to physical beauty. The reason the Greeks, both men and women, excelled in beautiful and symmetrical forms was because of the attention they paid to the proper exercise. Then, too, they were untrammeled by corsets, shoes and the inconveniences of clothing. To the minds of some women the idea of physical exercise conveys only the idea of hard fatiguing work. Mild exercise continued day after day is best for the body and spirits and health. Without proper exercise there can be no health, and without health there can be no real beauty.

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The mighty restorative power of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription speedily causes all womanly troubles to disappear—compels the organs to properly perform their natural functions, corrects displacements, overcomes irregularities, removes pain and misery at certain times and brings back health and strength to nervous, irritable and exhausted women.

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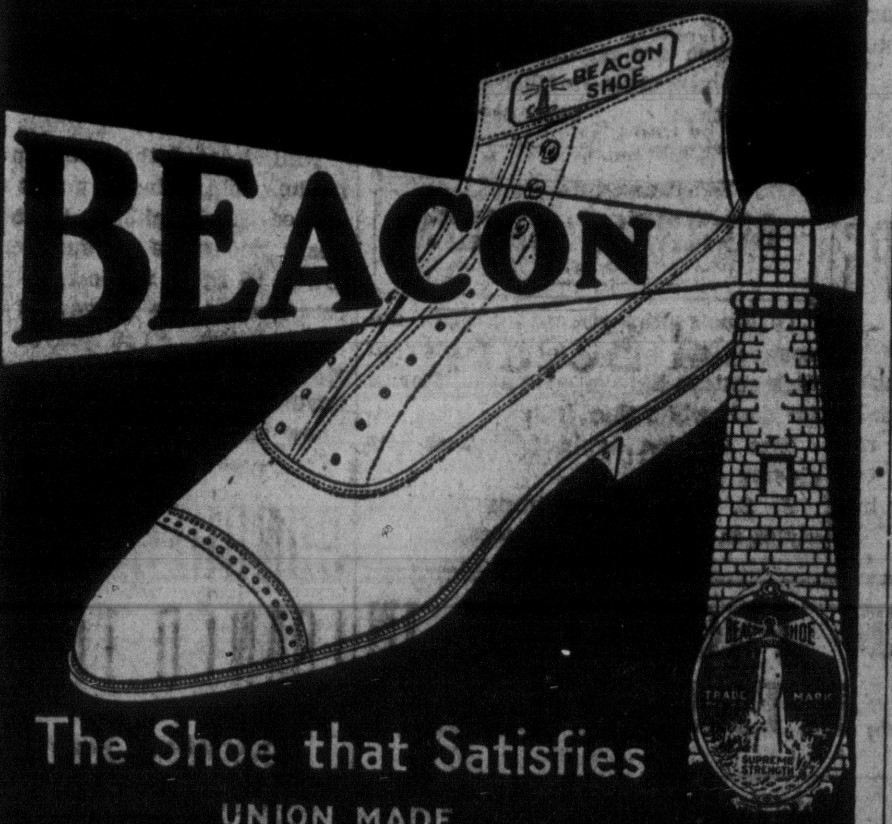

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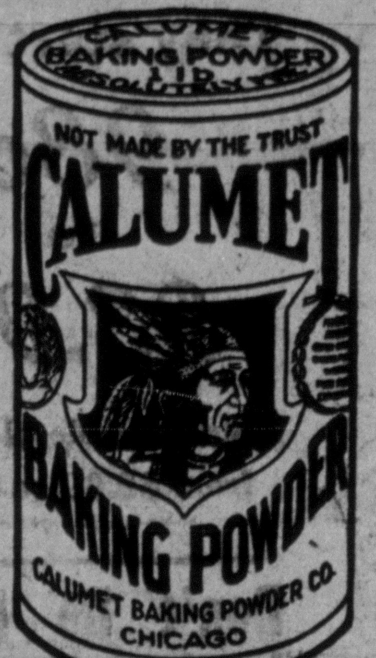

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DANCE AT LYONS GIVEN BY OFFICERS.

An unique event of the spring season was the dance given last night by the officers of the companies stationed here. In the receiving line were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Crawford, Capt. and Mrs. Halstead, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pernelle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lide, Captains McEwen and Fouville. Mrs. Crawford was unusually attractive in a complication of net and jet on a foundation of black satin. She carried an arm boquuet of white and red peonies. Mrs. Frank Lide was handsome in a pink satin veiled with shadowy lace. Mrs. Paul Pernelle was charming in pink satin decorated with tulle flounces embroidered with silver. Mrs. Halstead wore a cream satin that was relieved by dripping of lace and pink velvet.

The grand march was led by Mrs. Crawford and Captain McEwen. At 12 o'clock all stood at attention while the regimental band played "The Star Spangled anner." Mr. and Mrs. Chase of Huntsville, chaperoned a prty of young people over to the dance.

COTACO LITERARY CLUB.

The Cotaco club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Hal Mullen. The program was one of great interest. The subjects were "Austria and the Netherlands," and "The French Revolution." The leaders were Mrs. Otto Moebes and Miss Baker. After the program the executive board was elected, or rather re-elected, with the exception of Mrs. Felix Robertson as director and Mrs. G. Crane as delegate to the State Federation. The delegate to the District Conference is Mrs. J. Clark.

A great interest is being manifested in the club. There are now twenty five names on the waiting list. At this meeting $10 was donated to the Benevolent hospital, and a decision was made to eliminate refreshments at every meeting.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT T. SHEPPARD ENTERTAIN AT DINNER.

A pretty affair of Wednesday evening was the dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sheppard to Mr. Albert Sheppard, of Clarksdale, Miss., at the residence of Mrs. Annie Crane. Covers were laid for seven at a well appointed table centered by a beautiful bouquet of gift flowers.

DR. PETTEY LECTURES ON BETTER BABIES.

To the club women and interested mothers, Dr. Frank P. Pettey delivered a comprehensive lecture on "Better Babies" Wednesday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Dick rendered a vocal solo, as did Miss Ruth Hartung. Miss Alice Hatton, accompanied by Mrs. Ishom gave a violin number. The afternoon was elitecal and artistic.

NEEDLE CLUB.

There is to be no meeting of the Needle club this week.

Mrs. D. C. Almon was in Huntsville yesterday.

CLUB CALENDAR.

Friday.

Auction Bridge—Mrs. C. Eyster.

Saturday.

Silk Stocking Club.—

Mr. Rittelmeyer, of Mississippi, attended the dance at the Hotel Lyons Wednesday night.

The Y. M. P. S. will meet on tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 with Miss Bertie May Mangrum.

Mrs. H. H. Hitt, of Chattanooga, is the guest of friends here.

Misses Nannie Tate and Annie Ashford, of Courtland, attended the officers' ball at the Lyons.

Miss Willie Fiest Price entertained quite a number of little friends at a party Wednesday afternoon.

A B. Y. P. U. social at pastorate Friday evening. Members and friends invited.

PERSONALS

Bem Price, of Birmingham, is here on business.

Rev. A. L. Davis, of Jackson, Miss., is visiting in Trinity.

Fred Hammond, of Hartselle, was up for the dance last night.

Rube Coleman was here last night for the dance.

Henry R. Davis will leave tonight for a short business trip to Atlanta.

Madison County Has New Deputy Solictor

State Senator James H. Pride, of Huntsville, has been appointed deputy solicitor for Madison county by Solicitor D. C. Almon of Albany. Mr. Pride succeeds Ed C. Betts, who left yesterday for the officers' training camp at Fort McPherson, Ga. Mr. Pride is related to the Pride family of Albany.

NEW LIGHT ON THE AZTEC

Professor Says Montezuma Was Not a King, But Merely War Chief of a Confederacy.

The overturning of traditions which has been brought about by American ethnologists, who by the study of Aztec life have come to the conclusion that Montezuma was not a king, but only a war chieftain; that the famous Aztec empire was not on empire at all, but only a loose confederacy of democratic Indian tribes, is subscribed to by Prof. T. T. Waterman of the University of California, who has just issued a paper on "Bandelier's Contribution to the Study."

Montezumas "palace" was not a palace, but only war headquarters for the tribe, according to Waterman. "Montezuma," he says, "was only an elected war chief. He had not power to declare war, this being the prerogative of the tribal council. The choice of the war chief, was, however, limited to one group, which consisted of a whole family of lineage, but son did not follow father unless elected. The sons of the war chiefs were brought up as private citizens.

"The head war chief, such as Montezuma, was of no higher rank than the coadjutor, who held the extraordinary title of Snake Woman. The functions of the man who held this office are not clearly known, but apparently an important part of his office was the gathering and housing of tribute.

"Misunderstanding of Aztec life has arisen," says Waterman, "from the fact that the Spanish conquerors did not realize the fundamental differences between Indian and Spanish society. Land was not owned by individuals, but by the clan. To the Aztec society was essentially democratic, while Spanish society was essentially feudal."

WAS NOT "COURT OF RECORD"

Rural J. P. Explains Why He Burned Up Papers in Cases Which Were Tried Before Him.

There was a time, and it is not so far back in memory, when Justice McKenna of the United States Supreme court was practicing law on the good citizens of Suisun, Cal. Evidently he practiced it to their complete satisfaction, for they up and made him district attorney of Salano county, from which position he rose to his present exalted one by leaps and bounds.

While McKenna was district attorney there arose a case in which the testimony of a rural justice of the peace was necessary, the case having had its inception in his court.

After asking the usual questions as to his pedigree and previous condition of servitude, McKenna said:

"You, of course, have with you the original documents in this case—the papers?"

"Land sakes, no! Ain't got no sich papers," was the reply.

"Well, you must have had such papers," continued McKenna.

"Reckon I did, but I ain't got 'em now. I burned 'em up."

"What!" demanded McKenna in amazement. "Do you mean to say you burned up papers constituting the records in your court?"

"Yes," replied the J. P. complacently, having evidently heard that a justice court is not a "court of record," "reckon I did. Land sakes, jedge, if I kep' all them papers I git hold of, I reckon I'd have nigh unto a barrel full!"—Exchange.

PICK YOUR MATE AT DANCE!

If You Find Partner Who Is in Rhythm With You, She Is Your Affinity, Says Harvard Professor.

If you are looking for the right girl, mister, why not try one of those ancient temples of Terpischore which flourish in the bright lights, asks a Cambridge (Mass.) correspondent of the New York Herald, for Dudley A. Sargent of Harvard says affinities are often brought together through the whirl of the dance?

Speaking before a body of dancing teachers, Dr. Sargent declared:

"When a young man finds himself in rhythm with just one girl and finds that he cannot dance with any other partner, he has found his rhythmic mate; he would better stop and think there are such things as rhythmic affinity.

"I can tell a woman's temperament as soon as I see her dancing. She cannot hide her coarseness or her refinement."

Man With "Push" Succeeds.

The real man of the hour is the man with "push." You have only to get into his presence to feel the secret of his success. He's not waiting for some relative to dole some charity patronage to his weak dependent. He takes pride in standing on his own feet and making good on his own initiative. A "hand-out" may satisfy the beggar at the gates but the red-blooded man wants to earn his way. So he puts push into things, and they make way for him. "Push" is the enthusiasm that fires energy to get behind things and drive them to success. Real push takes delight in seeing things move and the world reaps the products of its activity. When a man has push there is no need of pull. He's bound to advance because he has the power within him. He's not concerned about the difficulty of the problem. The harder it is the better he likes it. He has more opportunity to exercise his push and the resulting victory will be greater as a result.

Comfort and Progress.

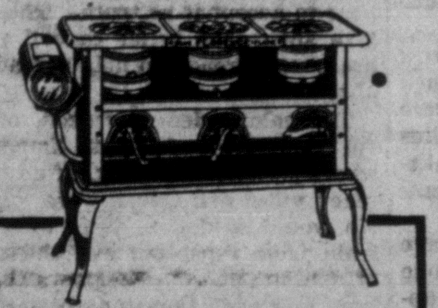
Progress demands that all men should be able to live comfortably. Luxury effeminates, but reasonable comfort leads to contentment. This makes the best workman and produces the hardiest stock. For the sake of a few dollars the nation dare not pay the price of low living and the resultant viciousness. It avails little that the nation produce stalwart workingmen who after all are the bulwark of the nation. Keep the national morals high and the bodies well nourished and you have the highest materials from which to build the nation. With resources like ours there is no excuse for less.—Pennsylvania Grit.

A Real Employee.

"Do you see that young fellow over there?" said the manager of the factory. "He's made up his mind that some day he is going to get my job away from me."

"Is that so? I shouldn't think you'd keep him around here then."

"Great Scott, man! I'd be mighty lucky if every fellow in this plant had the same idea."



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FOR TOMBS OF THE BRAVE

French soldier carrying simple wooden crosses made to mark the graves of his fallen comrades.

The Masterpiece.

Times were bad in the humble home of the unappreciated futurist painter. But there was one last hope. An exhibition of the latest eccentric art was to be held at one of the big galleries, and entries were invited.

Our impoverished genius decided that he would submit his "Isle of Dogs on a Foggy Day," and ordered the carrier to call for it. Arriving home, he was informed by his wife that the carrier had called and collected the picture; but just then a package in the corner caught his eye.

"Arabella! There's my 'Isle of Dogs!' It hasn't gone! What package did you give the man?"

"Oh, I gave him that one in the corner of your studio! I thought that was the one!"

He flung his arms dramatically upward.

"Then we're ruined! All hope of winning a prize has gone! That thing was an old bit of canvas that I let the baby daub on!"

But lo, next morning came a wire: "Your untitled canvas submitted for futurist exhibition has been awarded the first prize. We propose to entitle it, 'Jellied Eels in Torment.'"

Machine Sorts Coffee Beans.

A curious German invention is a machine for sorting coffee beans by color. Each bean passes into a strong beam of light, which it reflects to two selenium cells, and these, by electric control of a hopper, deposit the bean in one of several receptacles. The action depends on the different reflective powers of the differently colored beans, by which varying resistances to the electric current are successively produced in the selenium.

Governors Are Told To Help Save Food

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 3.—The governors and accredited representatives of the 48 states of the union took their second and final "war lesson" today from men who are directing the course of the nation's arms.

Tonight they will depart for their homes with the slogan of "plant and conserve" impressed upon their minds. Everywhere they have been met with this advice, from President Wilson down.

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The famous Polish star, in

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A story of love and the great war

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Scores of citizens of the Twin Cities asked about our low prices on shoes in the past week. We are still offering 1917 styles in shoes at 1916 prices.

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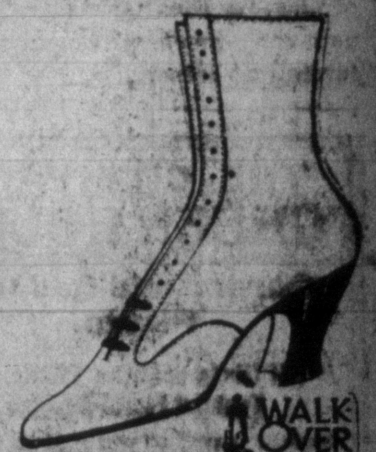

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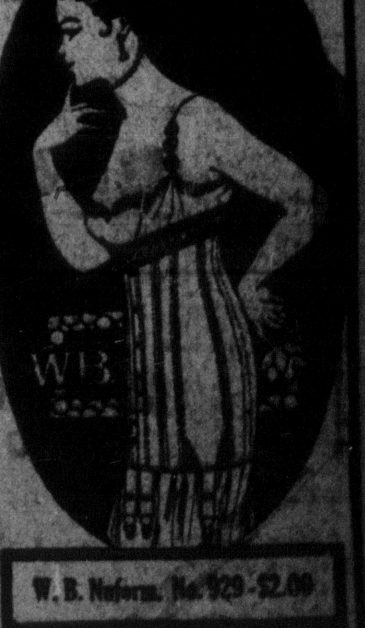

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"A SPLENDID TONIC"

Says Hixson Lady Who, On Doctor's Advice, Took Cardui And Is Now Well.

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My doctor told me to use Cardui. I took one bottle, which helped me and after my baby came, I was stronger and better, but the pain was still there.

I at first let it go, but began to get weak and in a run-down condition, so I decided to try some more Cardui, which I did.

This last Cardui which I took made me much better, in fact, cured me. It has been a number of years, still I have no return of this trouble.

I feel it was Cardui that cured me, and I recommend it as a splendid female tonic."

Don't allow yourself to become weak and run-down from womanly troubles. Take Cardui. It should surely help you, as it has so many thousands of other women in the past 40 years. Headache, backache, sideache, nervousness, sleeplessness, tired-out feeling, are all signs of womanly trouble. Other women get relief by taking Cardui. Why not you? All druggists. NC-132

Advertising.

AMUSEMENTS

"The Girl From Navajo, presented by Jack Amick and His Pennant Winners last night at the Masonic more than made good to both packed houses and Bob Jarvis certainly proved that he is the cleverest black-face comedian seen on a local stage. Miss Marez pleased with some more of her classy ragtime fiddling and was forced to respond to many encores.

Tonight another complete change of play, "A King for a Day," with all new song numbers, dances and costumes and scenery.

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ISLE OF SERPENTS

FANTASTIC LEGENDS THAT CLING AROUND SPOT IN BLACK SEA.

Fido-Nisi, Tomb of Achilles, Guards the Sulina Mcuth of Danube—Once Nearly Caused War Between Russia and Britain.

Less than 30 miles east of Sulina, the only important Black sea port remaining in the possession of Roumania since Field Marshal von Mackensen captured Constanza, is the tiny island of Serpents, around which cling many fantastic legends as well as several historical episodes which at one time threatened to become of international moment, says the National Geographic society bulletin.

Unlike the monotonous reaches of reed-covered marshland which stretch for 50 miles along the Roumanian and Russian shores to the north and south of the Sulina mouth of the Danube, seldom attaining an elevation of more than two feet above the level of the Black sea, the Island of Serpents, or Fido-nisi, thrusts its precipitous cliffs above the water to heights ranging from 50 to 100 feet.

It is a mere fleck of rock in a sea whose depth a few yards from the shore is 20 fathoms. The islet is scarcely more than a mile in circumference, but it has been a beacon guiding ships to the Danube for many centuries, its elevation being in such striking contrast to the delta land of the great river.

In ancient times Fido-nisi had a variety of names, but Grecian poets and travelers referred to it most frequently as Leuce, or the White island, on account of the numerous seafowls which at certain seasons of the year swarmed over its cliffs.

It was to this island that Thetis is supposed to have carried the ashes of her son, Achilles, hence the temple erected here in honor of the hero of the Trojan war. Another legend relates that Thetis snatched the body of Achilles from the funeral pyre, that he was restored to life and that thereafter he lived on the island with Iphigeneia, the daughter of Agamemnon, who had been saved from sacrifice by the goddess Artemis.

The name Island of Serpents grew out of the fact that numerous black snakes from four to five feet long were discovered here by mariners. Achilles was often referred to as "the snake-born" and his mother, Thetis, frequently assumed the form of a snake.

The Amazons are supposed to have attempted to seize this island on one occasion, but the ghost of Achilles appeared and so terrified the horses of the female warriors that the riders were thrown and severely trampled-upon, whereupon the expedition was abandoned.

This meager rock brought England and Russia to the verge of war 60 years ago, following the treaty of peace, which ended the Crimean conflict.

The island was not mentioned in the terms of the treaty and when Turkey sent a party to relight the lighthouse, which had been dark throughout the struggle of 1853 to 1856, Russia attempted to take control of the beacon, which stands as a guidepost to the Danube's mouths.

England protested, and sent a fleet across the Black sea to enforce her demands in behalf of her recent ally, the sultan. Russia, after a brief threat of resistance, yielded. The island passed into Roumanian hands when that nation threw off the Ottoman shackles in 1877.

State Wins 11 Out Of 12 Cases

The state has scored in eleven out of twelve cases tried up to this morning in the Morgan county circuit court, the twelfth case being a mistrial.

The following convictions represent the work of the court since Monday morning:

Isiah Swope and Asa McConnell, grand larceny.

George Johnson, grand larceny, two cases.

Will Bankston assault to murder.

Bud Gray and Will Jones, larceny of hogs.

Paschal Willis, forgery, two cases.

Steve Taylor, assault and battery.

S. D. Elliott, murder.

JOYS OF THE ATTIC DWELLER

He Who Looks Out Upon World Only From First-Floor Window Misses Much, Says Paris Philosoper.

"The chirping of the sparrows calls me; they claim the crumbs I scatter to them every morning. I open my window, and the prospect of roofs opens out before me in all its splendor." So says Emile Souvestre, "Attic Philosopher in Paris." "He who has only lived on a first floor has no idea of the picturesque variety of such a view. He has never contemplated these tile-colored heights which intersect each other; he has not followed with his eyes those gutter valleys, where the fresh verdure of the attic gardens waves, the deep shadows which evening spreads over the slated slopes, and the sparkling of windows which the setting sun has kindled to a blaze of fire. He has not studied the flora of these Alps of civilization, carpeted by lichens and mosses; he is not acquainted with the thousand inhabitants which people them, from the miscroscopic insect to the domestic cat . . . has not witnessed the thousand aspects of a clear or cloudy sky, nor the thousand effects of light which makes these upper regions a theater with ever-changing scenes! How many times have my days of leisure passed away in contemplating this wonderful sight, in discovering its darker and brighter episodes, in seeking, in short, in this unknown world, for the impression of traveling that wealthy tourists look for lower down!"

"THEY SAY" DANGER SIGNAL

Phrase Employed by Scandal Monger Has Destroyed the Happiness of Many Innocent Persons.

"They say," "I heard," "It is reported," are phrases often heard. They are most frequently followed by tales that have no known or valid foundation, says the Milwaukee Journal. "They say" has ruined the reputation and destroyed the happiness of many an innocent person. It is seldom the preface to a good report. The fallible human kind appears to give credence much more readily to evil reports than to good. The more preposterous the story is, the more readily some appear to accept it as truth. Those who give such easy belief to evil reports are usually ready to help spread them abroad.

The calm voice of reason, of careful judgment, is not listened to where gossip holds sway. If no one listened when evil things were told, gossip would soon die. It is wise to refrain from repeating evil things said of another unless one knows they are true, and even then it is best to keep silent unless some real good can surely be accomplished by the telling. Be not too quick to believe an evil report. "They say" can carry much sorrow and injustice in its train. Let us say good things of all when they may be said, and never keep the evil thing alive and going. "They say" should be a danger signal, a warning not to believe too easily or repeat too eagerly.

The Agnostic's Religion.

The agnostic may say that he has a passion for the truth, which he must gratify as if it were an appetite; but in that case why should he express moral contempt of those who are without it? That contempt in him must be inconsistent with his own passion for the truth, for the truth to the complete agnostic is that he has no right to think his own values higher than anyone else's, says the London Times. There are no higher or lower values; there are merely values. But this no one, not even Nietzsche, has ever believed. It was his doctrine that all beliefs are the result of the will to power; and yet he constantly expressed moral indignation against those who hid truth from themselves. He could not attain to the ultimate skepticism about the value of truth; he had his morality, like everyone else; and, like all the skeptics, he had that will to believe in matters of morality which is thought to be so dishonest in matters of religion.

Royal Marriages.

The marriage register of the Chapel Royal is the concern not of the register general, but of the clerk of the closet. The king, of course, is not required, like ordinary mortals, to register the birth of his children, nor must he cause the death of his predecessor to be registered. And as the Chapel Royal is a "Royal Peculiar," says London Tit-Bits, the ordinary law as to the registration of marriages does not apply either. But a register is kept by the clerk of the closet—at present Bishop Royal Carpenter—who duly records the baptisms, marriages and burials of the immediate members of the royal family, and the baptisms and marriages of those to whom the king grants the use of the Chapel Royal for these ceremonies.

The Farm and the City.

The farmers can advance only along with the city, not against it. Their earnings rise in proportion as those in the city earn more. That is the Alpha and Omega of agricultural policy. It is the crowd of laborers' children that make milk production pay. It is the city's meat eaters that buy the farmers' hogs. If business in the city is sick, the farmers' market is dead. If that business prospers, they both live. A great common breath breathes through the whole body of the people. It is this unison of interest that liberalism represents.—Friedrich Naumann.

Strangers get your social rating from your calling cards. See the line of engraved cards for men and women at the Daily office. We keep up with the styles.

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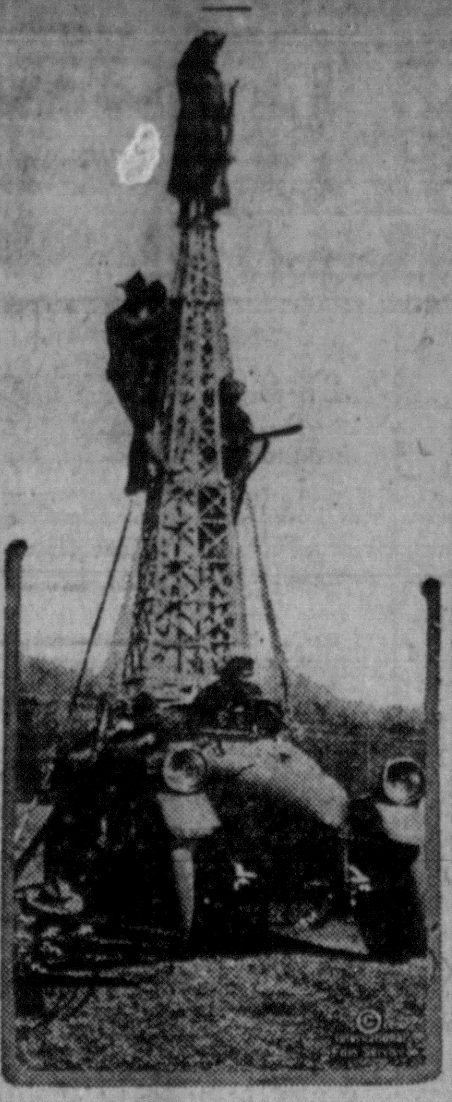

The United States army has been in need of an observation tower that could be quickly transported from one part of the field to another. Oscar Marino and his two brothers got together and built the observation automobile shown in the photograph. The tower extends 25 feet high. When the auto is being moved the top of the tower can be folded back. It can also be used for sending wireless messag

Stomach Pump for Georgia Drinkers

Macon, Ga., May 3.—A stomach pump has been added to the equipment of the detective department of the city of Macon with a view to aiding the detection of violators of the "bone dry" prohibition law.

City Detective Ed Newberry secured authority from the chief of police to purchase a stomach pump and got City Physician O. C. Gibson to instruct him in its use. He proposes to apply the stomach pump on every person arrested and whose breath has any evidence of the odor of whiskey.

"I have had any number of people ask me this morning to interpret the bone dry prohibition law," said Detective Nemberry. "I have told them thtt my construction of the lam is that if they even smell of whiskey they are violators, and, in order to make sure that my olfactory organ does not deceive me in the odors, I have purchased a stomach pump and added it to my equipment. I propose to handcuff those whom I think have been drinking and after that has been done I will apply the stomach pump. If I find as much as a drop of whiskey I will hold them for violating the prohibition law."

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A real value opportunity that every woman of Decatur and Albany should share.

Chic Panamas in large shapes, Hemp hats in every pleasing style' Leghorn Hats, White Milans, White Hemps, Black Hats of lisere and Sport Hats. They are high in quality and cheap in price.

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Troop Ship Sunk; 270 Lives Lost

(International News Service.)

London, May 3.—The troop ship Aroadian has been sunk by a German submarine with a loss of 270 lives, it was officially announced by the admiralty.

German Measles Sign Stirs Patriotic Girls

Waynesboro, Pa., May 3.—When a health officer posted a house here with a "German Measles" placard, a little girl after he had left came out of the house and proudly covered the word "German" with a small American flag.

WAR TIME PLANS FOR RAILROADS

ARE LAID BARE BY BALTIMORE AND OHIO PRESIDENT.

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 3.—The plain truth of the railroad situation that confronts the United States was laid bare today by Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, in an address before representatives of every state in the union.

Mr. Willard told the officials three ways in which they could aid in solving the national transportation problem. By suspending the operation of full crew laws during the period of the war to relieve expert railway workers for Russia and for France; by reducing the time allowed shippers to load and unload freight cars from 48 to 24 hours; by permitting regulation of passenger service by eliminating unnecessary runs and diverting railroad facilities to carrying foodstuffs and munitions.

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